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SUBJECT: UNCTAD/UNIDO COOPERATION - PROPOSAL FOR JOINT
UNCTAD/UNIDO EXPERT GROUP

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1. FIRST KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROPOSED JOINT UNCTAD/UNIDO
EXPERT GROUP WAS GAINED AT THE UNCTAD WORKING PARTY ON
THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN WHICH MET MARCH 28-APRIL 3 WHEN IT
PRESENTED AS EVIDENCE OF IMPROVED COOPERATION BETWEEN
UNCTAD AND UNIDO. THERE WAS NO FORMAL REACTION TO THE
PROPOSAL AT THAT TIME SINCE IT WAS SCHEDULED FOR CON-
SIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ON MANUFACTURES AT LATER
DATE (NOW AT 18TH TDB). THE PROPOSAL WAS BILLED AS A
RESPONSE TO GROUP B'S INSISTENCE THAT UNCTAD COORDINATE
BETTER WITH UNIDO IN THE AREA OF TRADE IN MANUFACTURES.
COPY OF PROPOSAL HANDCARRIED DEPARTMENT BY EDITH
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2. IN DISCUSSION OF PROPOSAL WITH BOTH UNIDO AND FINNISH
REP, MISSION HAS MADE THE COMMENT THAT WHILE THE DEPART-
MENT HAS NOT HAD A CHANCE TO CONSIDER SUBSTANCE OF PRO-
POSED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR GROUP, OR EVEN DE-
SIRABILITY OF SUCH A GROUP, PARTICULARLY IF THE EXPERTS
ARE TO BE CHOSEN BY THE SECRETARIATS OF UNIDO AND UNCTAD.
WE HAVE HAD DIFFICULTY WITH UNCTAD NOMINATING SO-CALLED

U.S. EXPERTS TO EXPERT GROUPS WHO REPRESENTED, IF ANYTHING, COMPLETELY CONTRARY VIEWS TO THOSE OF THE U.S.G. HOWEVER, IF THE GROUP SHOULD LEAD TO BETTER COORDINATION BETWEEN THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS, IT MIGHT BE BENEFICIAL.

3. GROUP B GENEVA WILL BE DISCUSSING THE PROPOSAL AT ITS NEXT MEETING MAY 3 AND WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S REACTION SOONEST. VANDEN HEUVEL

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